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**PATENT**  
Attorney Docket No. 1650

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: BLANDING et al.  
APPLICATION NO.: 09/293,326  
FILED: April 16, 1999  
FOR: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
MANAGING LIFECYCLES OF DEPLOYED  
APPLICATIONS

EXAMINER: C. Kendall  
ART UNIT: 2122  
CONF. NO: 4722

**Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This communication is a response to the Office action dated October 21, 2004 (hereinafter "the Office action"). Please consider the following amendments and appended remarks, which applicants submit places the case in condition for allowance.